

Decision 02-10-011 October 3, 2002

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Rulemaking on the Commission's Own Motion
into Universal Service and to Comply with the
Mandates of Assembly Bill 3643.

Rulemaking 95-01-020
(Filed January 24, 1995)

Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion
into Universal Service and to Comply with the
Mandates of Assembly Bill 3643.

Investigation 95-01-021
(Filed January 24, 1995)

OPINION CLOSING DOCKET

The Commission opened the above-captioned dockets in January 1995 for the purpose of developing rules to promote the provision of affordable and ubiquitously available telephone service. This purpose was largely fulfilled in the many decisions that have been issued in this proceeding since 1995.

On August 12, 2002, assigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Kenney issued a ruling soliciting comments on whether there is any compelling need to keep this proceeding open.¹ The ruling informed the parties that unless a compelling need were shown as to why this proceeding should remain open, the assigned ALJ would recommend to the Commission that the proceeding be closed. No comments were filed in reponse to the ALJ's ruling. Given the lack of response to the ALJ's ruling, we conclude that this proceeding should be closed.

¹ Commissioner Brown is the Assigned Commissioner.

This is an uncontested matter. Therefore, pursuant to Pub. Util. Code § 311(g)(2), the otherwise applicable 30-day period for public review and comment is being waived.

Finding of Fact

The Commission received no response to an ALJ ruling issued on August 12, 2002, that solicited comments on whether there is any compelling need to keep this proceeding open.

Conclusion of Law

This proceeding should be closed.

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that the consolidated docket of Rulemaking 95-01-020 and Investigation 95-01-021 is closed.

This order is effective today.

Dated October 3, 2002, at San Francisco, California.

LORETTA M. LYNCH
President
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Commissioners